

AGENDA NO. _____

MOTION BY CHAIR HILDA L. SOLLIS

April 5, 2016

Proclaiming Public Health Week 2016

Each day, every Los Angeles County resident benefits from the services provided by the Department of Public Health (Department). The Department's responsibilities include preventing and controlling communicable diseases, providing health education through community outreach, conducting restaurant and health facilities inspections, and carrying out population and case-based surveillance; these and many more services administered by the department are crucial in ensuring the County is a safe and healthy place to live, work, and recreate.

Each year, the County celebrates Public Health Week and recognizes the Department's efforts to protect health, prevent disease and injury, and promote the health and well-being of all residents. This year's Public Health Week will take place on April 4-10, 2016 with the theme of "Healthy People in Healthy Communities." In honor of Public Health Week, the Departments of Public Health and Public Library invite all County residents to visit the County libraries in Bellflower, East Los Angeles, East Rancho Dominguez, Lancaster, Lawndale, West Covina and West Hollywood to celebrate Public Health Week on Saturday, April 9, 2016. Additionally, the Departments of Public Health, Animal Care and Control, and Parks and Recreation will co-host the 2nd Annual Healthy Pet Expo on Saturday April 16, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area, Meadows Picnic Area. This event will include free and low-cost dog and cat vaccines, free spay and neutering, pet adoptions, health and nutrition tips on how to keep your pet healthy, bite prevention information, emergency preparedness, and stage performances throughout the day.

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Additionally, to encourage worksite wellness, all County employees are invited to attend the Employee Public Health Expo and Countywide Fitness Challenge Kick- Off co-hosted with the Department of Human Resources, to be held today from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Grand Park, located at 200 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD:

1. Proclaim April 4-10, 2016 as "Public Health Week" in the County of Los Angeles; urge all residents, public officials and County employees, as well as community groups, clubs and organizations to join in activities and take action to make all Los Angeles communities healthy;
2. Encourage all County employees to support and attend the Tuesday, April 5, 2016 Kick-Off event at Grand Park located at 200 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
3. Encourage all residents to attend the County libraries in Bellflower, East Los Angeles, East Rancho Dominguez, Lancaster, Lawndale, West Covina and West Hollywood to celebrate Public Health Week on Saturday April 9, 2016.
4. Encourage all residents and their cats and dogs to attend the Healthy Pet Expo on Saturday April 16, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Whittier Narrows Recreation Area.
5. Waive the \$1,345 rental fee for Whittier Narrows Meadow Recreation Area, waive the \$1,250 bandwagon stage rental fee for 2 days, waive to \$30 vendor fee for 15 vendors and waive the \$6 parking fee for 1,500 cars, for participants attending the Public Health Week 2016 Healthy Pet Expo.

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